

contributions to the legal profession and the community of Superior Court Judge Carlos Cazares.

The oldest of 11 children who came from a hard-working Mexican family, Judge Cazares distinguished himself as a trailblazer serving in the Army during the Korean War and later attending college at night through the GI Bill, earning an accounting degree. He subsequently earned a law degree, becoming one of the first Mexican-American lawyers in San Diego County.

In 1972, then-Governor Ronald Reagan appointed him to a Municipal Court judgeship. Five years later, Gov. Jerry Brown elevated him to the San Diego Superior Court, an event witnessed by his parents, Carlos and Norberta Cazares.

In addition to his accomplishments on the bench, Judge Cazares was instrumental in ensuring that people have the highest quality of care and respect, both personally and professionally. For example, he helped establish the San Ysidro Health Clinic and was a member of the Knights of Columbus and a lay minister at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, ministering to the sick at hospitals.

He was a dedicated son, father, grandfather, brother and uncle.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Carlos Cazares was a hard-working community leader. It is our great pleasure to recognize his selfless commitment to the betterment of our community and our fellow citizens. We urge our colleagues to join in honoring his achievements. He has truly served our society with relentless dedication, and his community contributions distinguish him as an example for us all.

**CENTRAL NEW JERSEY HONORS
REVEREND RICHARD MILLER**

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2002

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize, honor and thank Reverend Richard Miller, Pastor of The Stanton Reformed Church in Stanton, New Jersey since 1965, and dedicated community leader.

In a span covering four decades Reverend Miller has provided more than religious services. He has long been a dependable and reliable listener, who has always taken a personal and heartfelt interest in all of the community.

In fact Reverend Miller and the Stanton Reformed Church provide an example of what a community church should be. Ten years ago, when a member of the community was diagnosed with leukemia, Reverend Miller opened the doors and initiated a bone marrow drive. The program was subsequently supported by Merck & Co and has resulted in several matches.

This is but one example, however, of the many lives he touched. Reverend Miller has also served as the Chaplain to the Hunterdon County Jail and the Readington Township PBA. Furthermore, he has served as a role model to our youth as both an Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster of the Boy Scouts of America since 1969. The Stanton Grange recognized this distinguished service in 1975 with a Community Service Award.

It is with great pride that I join the members of the Reform Church in recognizing the thirty-seven years of service that Mr. Miller has given to the people of Stanton. He has been the ear that listens, the shoulder to lean on and the modest individual who gave all he had to his community. Reverend Miller is truly a treasure in New Jersey's cultural heritage. His example is an inspiration to all Central New Jerseyans.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, again, I rise to celebrate and honor this true New Jersey treasure. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Reverend Richard Miller of the Reformed Church in Stanton, New Jersey.

**MARITIME TRANSPORTATION
ANTITERRORISM ACT OF 2002**

SPEECH OF

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

Mr. DeFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to express support for H.R. 3983, the Maritime Transportation Antiterrorism Act. I also want to mention a couple of areas where the bill needs to be improved during Conference Committee consideration. According to the Economist magazine, last October, a discovery at the southern Italian port of Gioia Tauro shook the foundations on which world trade has grown so rapidly in the past half century. A suspected al-Qaeda terrorist was found inside a container. The Egyptian suspect, who later disappeared while on bail, was equipped in comfort for the duration of the container's intended sea voyage from Italy to Halifax in Canada. He carried plans of airports, an aviation mechanic's certificate and security passes. Intelligence sources say other containers similarly outfitted were found at the Italian port.

Had this container actually reached an American or even Canadian port, this suspect would likely have escaped into the interior of the United States. Why? Because many terminal operators have abandoned the practice of inspecting so-called empty containers to ensure that the container is actually empty. They have also abandoned the practice of inspecting container seals, to ensure that no tampering of the container has taken place. It is time for Congress to step in and demand that every terminal operator do their part to enhance the security of American ports, containers, and our communities.

The International Longshore and Warehouse Union testified before the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and made a compelling case for legislation to mandate security checks of containers. Port workers can inspect the outside seal of every container moving through our ports. A broken seal would alert the port facility that the container has been tampered with and that it needs to be carefully inspected before entering a facility or being placed on a vessel. A systematic check of container seals also provides authorities with a record of the parties responsible for placing the seal on any container that may contain a terrorist or contain the means of a terrorist act.

Another equally necessary security measure is the mandatory inspection of so-called empty

containers, which regularly move on and off ships each day. Many countries, including Japan, require such inspections because of the increased risk that these "empties" pose for the placement of bombs, weapons and contraband. In fact, inspection of empty containers on American docks was the customary practice up until a few years ago when companies decided it cut into profits. We can no longer allow our port facility operators to place profits over the security needs of our country.

H.R. 3983 is a good bill, but it is weak on container security solutions. I hope that provisions providing for security checks of empty containers and the integrity of container seals are considered by the Conference Committee.

A TRIBUTE TO PASTOR ED JOHNSON OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROSEMOUNT, MINNESOTA, FOR 35 YEARS OF INSPIRING MINISTRY AND DEDICATED SERVICE

HON. JIM RAMSTAD

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2002

Mr. RAMSTAD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Pastor Ed Johnson, Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church of Rosemount, Minnesota, who will soon become Pastor Emeritus.

Pastor Ed and his loving wife, Ellie, have been doing the Lord's work in our state and nation for 35 years and have truly made a difference in the lives of thousands of people.

Pastor Ed has been a special friend and spiritual mentor since the day we first met in the spring of 1990—over 12 years ago. From my first major vote on "Operation Desert Storm" to coping with my mother's Alzheimer's disease, Pastor Ed has been there for my family and me. His wise counsel, friendship, support and prayers are deeply appreciated.

Mr. Speaker, many of our colleagues remember Pastor Ed Johnson from his service as Guest Chaplain for the House of Representatives several years ago, when he made a lasting impression on all of us.

That's Pastor Ed—always serving the Lord in a loving, kind and gentle way. Whether he's motivating young missionaries on the mission field, encouraging young preachers, supporting Sunday school teachers and bus drivers, counseling families, teaching new members and students or reaching out to the community to build a growing flock for his remarkable church, Pastor Ed has been there for all of us the past 35 years.

Pastor Ed has been repeatedly recognized by local, state and national religious organizations for the phenomenal growth of his church and his many other accomplishments. It's easy to understand his success once you meet him.

Pastor Ed Johnson's First Baptist Church has been successful because of its family-oriented approach centered firmly on the Bible. No one escapes the reach of Pastor Ed's inspiring motivational tools: a warm heart, an unyielding resolve and an eloquent speaking style.

Pastor Ed's dynamic approach to building faith is based on what he learned at Tennessee Temple University and Temple Baptist